

Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office

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News Release

Santa Barbara County Recommended to Receive \$38.9 Million in Jail Funding Funding to be Used to Create S.T.A.R. Complex at new North County Jail

Santa Barbara- Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office is pleased to announce that this afternoon, December 12, the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) Executive Steering Committee recommended Santa Barbara County receive full funding, \$38,976,000, for the SB 1022 Construction of Criminal Justice Facilities grant.

Sheriff Bill Brown commented, "Today's news is huge for Santa Barbara County on several different levels. The additional \$38.9 million in funding will be added to our previous \$80 million award and will allow us to design and build a properly-sized jail in our north county. It will be a model for safely housing criminal offenders, but also for delivering rehabilitative services that will change lives and ultimately reduce recidivism. It will provide a better learning environment for inmates, a safer and more pleasant place for custody staff to work, and it will result in a tremendous boost to our local economy at a time when we need more jobs and economic vitality. This was a highly competitive process, so receiving the recommendation for funding amid a crowded field of well-qualified peer counties is a remarkable achievement. I am immensely proud of my custody team that put together our outstanding proposal and presented it to the selection committee."

Santa Barbara County submitted an application to the BSCC in October 2013 for the construction of Sheriff's Transition And Reentry (S.T.A.R.) Complex. The S.T.A.R Complex will be located on the same site as the new North Branch Jail and is anticipated to be constructed in conjunction with the currently planned jail construction project.

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2013 SB1022 FACT SHEET

The Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office is applying for \$38.976 million dollars in State Grant Funding through the SB1022 Request for Proposals issued on July 23, 2013.

SB1022: The purpose of this Request for Proposals (RFP) is to establish conditional awardees and allocate financing as authorized by Senate Bill (SB) 1022 for the construction of adult local criminal justice facilities. This legislation provides up to \$500,000,000 in state lease-revenue bond financing authority for acquisition, design and construction, including expansion or renovation, of adult local criminal justice facilities in California.

SB-1022 Overview

- Maximum award of \$40 million available for medium size counties.
- Total awards for medium size counties will not exceed \$160 million.
- Santa Barbara County is one of 14 counties that are defined as medium sized.
- Grant Awards to be used for custodial housing, re-entry, programs, mental health or treatment space.
- Funding considerations shall be given to counties that are seeking to replace existing compacted, outdated, or unsafe housing capacity or are seeking to renovate existing or build new facilities that provide adequate space for the provision of treatment and rehabilitation services....
- The determination of preparedness to proceed shall include, but not be limited to, counties providing documentation of adequate, available matching funds authorized by the county board of supervisors from a source or sources compatible with this financing authority
- Counties must provide a minimum of 10 percent matching funds.

Timelines

- Proposals are due to the State on October 24, 2013, at 5 P.M.
- September 26, 2013 set for docketing to be heard at the October 8th BOS meeting. (Approved)
- December 4th-6th the Executive Steering Committee (ESC) will hear county presentations.
- Dec 12, 2013 ESC will mail their recommendations to the Counties
- January 16, 2014 Conditional awards.

Project Details: This project has been designed for 228 inmates and consists of three types of housing. The Sheriff's Transition And Reentry (S.T.A.R.) Complex will include:

- One 64-bed unit, double-bunked with 2 inmates per cell, used as a step-down facility for inmates transitioning through S.T.A.R. and back into the community.
- One 64-bed Sheriff's Treatment Program (STP) unit, double-bunked with 2 inmates per cell, used exclusively for the STP Program.
- Two 50-bed dormitories used for inmate transitional reentry programming.
- Programming will focus on transitioning back into the community.
- Plan calls for three separate programming areas, one being used for on-line courses.
- Services will be brought to the inmate
- This project will allow the Sheriff's Office to close existing antiquated, compacted housing in the Main Jail Campus and shift staffing resources to the new facility

minimizing any increase to ongoing $\,$ operational costs (FMSF, MBD-1, MBD-2 and MBD-3)

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